(c) Such cloths that can be had from the hand loom weavers are at present purchased from the Central Jail.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* May I know the value of the clothes purchased from the Central Jail out of this Rs. 7,500?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao *(Chief Medical Officer):* I am sorry that we have not got the exact figures.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* May I know the types of clothes available in the Central Jail?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao *(Chief Medical Officer):* Bed sheets, cloth for pillow cases, all these are usually made in the Central Jail. The only cloths that we purchase from the manufacturers are Kakhi, Long cloth and Kora.

മി. കെ. പി. ഗോവിന്ദമേനോൻ : ആസ്പത്രി ആവശ്യങ്ങിനു വേർ വാങ്ങുന്നതെന്തൊ?

ഡോക്ടർ ഡി. രാഘവേന്ദ്രറാവു : മിൽവേർ വാങ്ങുന്നുണ്ടു്.

HONORARY ASSISTANT SURGEONS AND SUB-ASSISTANT SURGEONS—NUMBER OF

219. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will the Government be pleased to inform the total number of honorary Assistant Surgeons and the Sub-Assistant Surgeons working in the State hospitals in the State?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao *(Chief Medical Officer):*

Honorary Physician	1
Honorary Assistant Surgeons	24
Honorary Sub-Assistant Surgeons	23

MALABAR HOTEL—TAKING OF ABKARI LICENSES

220. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will the Government be pleased to inform.—

(a) whether they are aware that intoxicating liquor, and tobacco in the form of cigar and cigarettes are sold both wholesale and retail in the Malabar Hotel on the Willingdon Island;

(b) if so, whether the Government has issued any special license for this purpose;

(c) if so, the total revenue the Government realises per year for the last 3 years by way of license fees or in other sources;

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(*d*) whether the foreign liquor manufactured in the Government distillery is sold in the Malabar Hotel;

(*e*) if the answer to sub-questions (*c*) and (*d*) is in the negative, the reasons?

Mr. M. Raman Menon *(Commissioner of Excise):* (*a*) Foreign liquor and smoking tobacco, cigars, cigarettes, etc., are sold only in retail in the Malabar Hotel.

(*b*) The Government have issued a license for retail sale.

(*c*)

1112	Rs. 765 13 0
1113	„ 1,038 0 0
1114	„ 934 1 0

This includes license fees for foreign liquor and tobacco and gallonage fees for foreign liquor.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) In the Malabar Hotel there is no demand for Indian made foreign liquors.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* May I know whether licenses are issued for the sale of liquor in the Ernakulam Railway Station?

Mr. M. Raman Menon *(Commissioner of Excise):* Yes.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* Would prohibition be extended to the Malabar Hotel when it comes in Malabar?

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* May I know the name of the licensee in the Malabar Hotel?

Mr. M. Raman Menon *(Commissioner of Excise):* Messrs. Spencer and Co.

Mr. K. Kochukunhan Kaimal *(Vadakkancheri):* What is Indian made foreign liquor?

Mr. M. Raman Menon *(Commissioner of Excise):* That is liquor made here resembling foreign liquor.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* May I know whether this license is given by auction every year?

Mr. M. Raman Menon *(Commissioner of Excise):* License is not given by auction. It is given to the Hotel Keeper.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* May I know whether the Government will try to see as an experimental measure whether the liquor made in Trichur by the Government will be saleable in the Malabar Hotel?

Mr. M. Raman Menon *(Commissioner of Excise):* It depends

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upon the tastes of the Europeans who visit the Malabar Hotel.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)* : I would suggest that some liquor may be supplied free.

Mr. M. Raman Menon *(Commissioner of Excise)*: I do not think that the Department can distribute this liquor free.

A Personal Statement by the Hon'ble Minister.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development)* : Sir, before proceeding to the next item of business I would request the permission of the House and the President to make a personal statement. Towards the end of the proceedings yesterday I unfortunately lost my temper and made certain expressions which on further consideration I felt I should not have made thereby causing unnecessary pain, especially to my friend, Mr. Viswambharan. Once a word is out it is impossible to retake it. Once the wound is inflicted, it is impossible to rectify the mistake. But I am anxious to remove the sting and irritation, as far as it is in my power, and I propose to do two things for the purpose. One is to tender an unqualified regret for inadvertently using, in a moment of uncontrolled temper, the words expressed by me. The second thing is, I request you, Sir, to use your authority to direct that speech to be expunged completely from the Proceedings of the Council. I further owe my apology to this House, and I must willingly tender that apology. At the same time I would ask the House to consider the situation that existed. The House is well aware that I have been on my legs for nearly two and a half days answering questions, and some times those qualities which we inherit with our birth remain with us, and it is only with superhuman effort that we keep them under control. The moment you remove the control, those qualities assert themselves. Though Providence with the same clay moulded us all, yet two faces are not alike, even much more so, two temperaments are not alike. Once a mistake is committed, the only course and the next best course is to admit the mistake and retract it, with an expression of apology. I am sure the House will accept this expression of my regret.

It has been pointed out to me that you, Sir, were placed in a very embarrasing position. I may say that nothing was further from my mind than to place the Chair in any such condition, and if I did so, it was done inadvertently. I fully appreciate your impartiality and fairness, and it gives me very much pleasure to co-operate with you in discharging your onerous duties.

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. കെ. നായർ : സർ, ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട മന്ത്രിയുടെ ഇന്നത്തെ എക്സ്പ്ലനേഷൻ ഞങ്ങളുടെ അഭിപ്രായത്തിൽ വളരെ ആവശ്യമാണെന്നു ഞങ്ങൾക്കു തോന്നീട്ടില്ല. അദ്ദേഹത്തിന്റെ സ്വഭാവം ഇനിമേൽ ഇങ്ങിനെയുണ്ടാകയില്ലെന്നു പറഞ്ഞാൽ ഞങ്ങൾക്കു സങ്കടമാണുള്ളതു്. ഡോക്ടറെ ഞ

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